

# OUR LADY OF FATIMA SHRINE

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### *Legion of Mary - Praesidium - every Sat. @ 10:00 a.m.*

Auxiliary Circle - every 2nd Sun. @ 1:30 p.m.

### *The Lord's Flock Prayer Group*

Every Sunday: 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Jun & Cynthia 416-916-1577

### *Missionaries Family of Christ - every 3rd Sat. @ 6:00 pm*

Ed & Beth Zapanta, [Elizabeth.x.zapanta@gmail.com](mailto:Elizabeth.x.zapanta@gmail.com)

## BAPTISMS:

*Application Form from the Parish office.*

## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION/CONFIRMATION

*Contact the Parish Office in September.*

## MARRIAGES:

Couples must personally contact the parish office at least **one full year in advance**. No date may be set before meeting with the priest. **A Marriage Preparation Course is required.**

## ANointing OF THE SICK:

Please contact the nurse station at the hospital for priest on duty. For home visits, call the parish office.

**FUNERALS:** Families requesting a Catholic funeral service for their deceased loved ones should contact a Catholic Funeral Director, preferably from the parish. For help call the parish office.

For information about **CATHOLIC CEMETERIES**, please visit the site: [www.catholic-cemeteries.com](http://www.catholic-cemeteries.com)

## MASS SCHEDULES:

Saturday 4:30 p.m.

Sunday 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12:15 p.m.

## WEEKDAY MASSES:

Monday: NO MASS, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday (except First Friday) 8:00 a.m.

Wednesday - Rosary, Devotions & Mass 6:30 p.m.

Holidays & Saturdays 9:00 a.m.

First Friday (1 Mass) 7:00 pm

## RECONCILIATION:

All First Friday at 5:30 pm, All Wednesday at 5:30-6:50 p.m. and All Saturday at 3:30-4:20 p.m. for emergency please call the office.

## OFFICE HOURS:

Monday to Friday: 9:00 a.m. -12:00 Noon & 1:00 - 3:00 p.m., closed for lunch from 12:00-1:00 pm

**The Office is closed on Saturday, Sunday & Holidays**

We welcome you to **OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH** and encourage you to register with us either online or at the Parish office. Kindly support us using the offertory envelopes on a regular basis.

*When making your Will, please remember to include the "FATIMA SHRINE RENOVATION FUND."!*



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**Mass Intentions**  
FOR THE WEEK 

**Sunday, May 14**

- 9:00 a.m. +Ben & Beatriz Remigio
- 10:30 a.m. People of the Parish
- 12:15 p.m. Francisca Tan (I) Thanksgiving

**Monday, May 15**

No Morning Mass

**Tuesday, May 16**

- 8:00 a.m. +Frances D. Callahan

**Wednesday, May 17**

- 7:00 p.m. +Rosenda Paa

**Thursday, May 18**

- 8:00 a.m. +Fe Alconaba

**Friday, May 19**

- 8:00 a.m. +William Hibbert

**Saturday, May 20**

- 9:00 a.m. +Leopoldo Ignacio
- 4:30 p.m. +Hadas Hailemikael

**Sixth Sunday of Easter May 14, 2023**

The Lord said, "I will not leave you orphaned." Pray for an increase of vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated life. If God is calling you, contact **Rev.**



**Fr. Matthew McCarthy, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997; email vocations@archtoronto.org or call Rev. Glass at 416-757-2806 or at olfatimasc@archtoronto.org for more information.**

**Next Week Readings**

Seventh Sunday of Easter

The Ascension of the Lord-The Commissioning of the Disciples

**1st Reading: Acts 1.1-11**

**2nd Reading: Ephesians 1.17-23**

**Gospel: Matthews 28.16-20**

Being the Hands and Feet of Christ

Latin Songs: can be found on Catholic Book of Worship (Pages 299 A, D, E, F, & G).

**FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:**

*Mother's Day.*

Yesterday, our new Archbishop, Francis Leo, ordained seven men to the priesthood for the Archdiocese of Toronto, anointing their hands with the Sacred Chrism. The cloth that was used to wipe off the excess oil from their hands will be carefully preserved. When the mother of a priest dies that cloth is buried with her as a tribute to the sacrifice she made in offering her son to the Church. It is fitting that the ordinations occurred on the day before Mother's Day.

My own mother is now ninety-two years old and still living at home in Ottawa. It became clear last year that she could no longer be left on her own. She needed someone to be with her full-time. I took a leave of absence from my ministry in Alliston last November to stay with her until my new appointment here. My family has now hired care-givers to look after her. Of course I feel guilty for abandoning her, but she understands that a priest's life is dedicated to God. That is the sacrifice that she is making, and I have to trust that God will compensate her for my absence.

On this day we honor all mothers for the great sacrifices that they make for their families. Every mother shares in the motherhood of Mary, who is the model of motherhood. Mary's 'fiat' — 'let it be done to me according to your will' — was not given just once, but continually. It was most painfully given when she stood at the foot of the cross. Simeon prophesied to her that 'a sword will pierce your own heart too.' Every mother knows that pain.

May is the month of Mary, who holds preeminently the title of "mother" — *mater dei*, mother of God, Mother of Jesus, and mother of all Christians.

In the Gospels there is mention of the 'brothers and sisters' of Jesus. Since Mary remained a virgin for her whole life, it is assumed that these were actually cousins, since 'brother' was any close relation. My own thought — and this is simply my own fancy — is that every child who met Mary would have been irresistibly attracted to her, and her motherly heart would have gone out to them. Should we be surprised if Mary had a large number of 'adopted' children? When Jesus spoke to the beloved disciple from the cross, saying "behold your mother", he was also speaking to us. "And from that day he took her for his own." All of us are also Mary's 'adopted' children. Priests especially, being configured to Christ in the Sacrament of Holy Orders, have a great devotion to Mary.

Christianity is a patriarchal religion: we have priests, not priestesses; God is Father, not Mother; the father has the responsibility of spiritual leadership of the family. But if father is the head, then the mother is the heart. When St. Therese of Lisieux found her vocation in being love in the heart of the Church, she was only taking on Mary's maternal role in the divine plan.



Today is ...

# MOHER'S Day



Wishing all moms:

## Happy Mother's Day.

### Confirmation Classes 2023

Confirmation celebration will be on **Sunday, May 28 at 2:30 pm.** Candidates are asked to be in the church hall with their sponsors not later than **1:30 pm.** We would like family members, friends and guests to be seated in church by **not later than 1:45 pm.** Certificates will be given to confirmadi after the service. *Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful.*



### CHILDREN'S LITURGY 2022-2023

The Children's Liturgy meetings continues this **Sunday, May 14, 2023 at 10:30 am in the church hall.** Next weekend there is No Meeting due to **Victoria Day long weekend holiday.** Thank you.



### At all Masses next weekend ... May 21, 2023

... there will be a **second collection** at all of the weekend's Masses for the **RENOVATION FUND.**



*We are very grateful for your generosity!*

### ShareLife Campaign 2023

#### Share your love on Mother's Day



On Mother's Day, all moms deserve to be celebrated and supported. Did you know that our parish's ShareLife campaign is helping young women with an unexpected pregnancy? One such mother is Nikki, who was able to continue her education and receive practice assistance through a ShareLife-funded agency called Rose of Sharon. Thus far we have raised **[\$14,433.35]** toward our goal of **[\$31,000.00].** Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at [sharelife.org/donate](http://sharelife.org/donate).

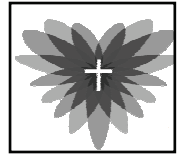
Next Monday - May 21st - is ...



**Church & Office will be closed all day.**  
**Have a pleasant holiday with your family!**

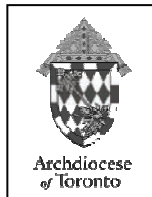
### National Week for Life and Family May 7-14

The Pope reminded us that our family roots are "the love that awaited us and welcomed us into the world, the families in which we grew up."vii. We are part of a unique history that came before us and gave us life. We receive this history and life as a gift and are called to pass it on to future generations. As Pope Francis said, we are "children of a history that needs to be preserved" but also "authors of a history yet to be written."viii. The treasure of faith inherited. In the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus describes our identity as believers:



"You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hidden. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven" (Matt 5: 14-16).

### ARE YOU ABLE TO HOST A UKRAINIAN FAMILY?



When hearing reports of the war in Ukraine, and the millions of Ukrainians that have been forced to flee their homeland, many have asked what they can do to help. Over 200,000 Ukrainians have already arrived in Canada through a special visa program created by Immigration Canada. An additional 800,000 have applied to the program and are expected to arrive in the coming months. Many are arriving to Toronto and are without family here in Canada to help them. Among those will be some who are vulnerable to human trafficking, particularly seniors, single women, and women with children. There is an immediate need for families to host for a period of between one and six months some of those who have arrived. If you would like to learn more about hosting a Ukrainian family, please go to [Archdiocese of Toronto - Ukrainian Crisis \(archtoronto.org\)](http://Archdiocese of Toronto - Ukrainian Crisis (archtoronto.org)) and register for a virtual information session.

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